

House Resolution No. 414

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State teachers who have admirably dedicated their careers to ensuring that elementary students receive an excellent grounding in all of the skills and knowledge needed for their continuing education and for their future roles as societal leaders; and

Whereas, Kathy Heflin has earned distinction as a fifth-grade teacher for the past eighteen years at the Phelps County R-III School in Edgar Springs, Missouri, where she graciously and humbly bore the well-deserved title of Local Educator of the Year in 2002; and

Whereas, nominated for the Elementary Teacher of the Year for the State of Missouri award by Phelps County R-III School District Superintendent Kay McMurtrey, Kathy Heflin will be granted that honorary title by the Missouri Association of Rural Education on February 22, 2003; and

Whereas, Kathy Heflin is known as a classroom teacher who collaborates with other teachers, integrates core subject material into multidimensional lessons which incorporate a variety of learning styles, coaxes reluctant readers into higher literacy achievement by matching students with the proper types of books at the correct difficulty level, and succeeds in motivating students who have a history of challenging behavior; and

Whereas, outside the classroom Kathy Heflin has served as CTA president on three different occasions and as curriculum coordinator during the three times the Phelps County R-III School District has developed or revised its MSIP curriculum, and has presented at Missouri Council of Teachers of Mathematics regional meetings and at Missouri State Teachers Association regional and state gatherings; and

Whereas, Kathy Heflin is the beloved wife of Bob; loving mother of Derick, Kelsey, and Ryan; and wonderful daughter of Bill and Myla Kickbusch of Rolla:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to congratulate Kathy Heflin upon her selection as the Elementary Teacher of the Year for the State of Missouri by the Missouri Association of Rural Education and to convey to her this legislative body's heartiest best wishes for continued personal and professional success for many more years to come; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for presentation to Kathy Heflin of Edgar Springs, Missouri.

Offered by _____
Representative Bob May
District No. 149

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 414, adopted February 18, 2003.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker